COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS }
ADJUSTMENT FILING OF MT. OLIVET } CASE NO. 9918-M4
NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. }

ORDER

On August 10, 1987, in Case No. 9918, the Commission approved certain adjusted rates for Mt. Olivet Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Mt. Olivet") and provided for their further adjustment on a quarterly basis in accordance with its gas cost adjustment ("GCA") clause.

On September 29, 1995, Mt. Olivet filed its GCA proposed to be effective from October 1, 1995 to January 1, 1996.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Mt. Olivet's notice proposed revised rates designed to pass on its expected wholesale increase in gas costs to its customers. Mt. Olivet's proposed expected gas cost ("EGC") was based on summer billings from Natural Gas Clearinghouse and did not reflect expected increases for winter billings. Using an average of NYMEX gas futures prices for the quarter beginning October 1, 1995 results in an EGC of \$2.8467 per Mcf.

- 2. Mt. Olivet has no current refunds. The total refund adjustment of .87 cent per Mcf reflects previous quarter adjustments.
- 3. The notice set out a current quarter actual adjustment ("AA") of 5.57 cents per Mcf to reconcile gas cost from April, May, and June 1995. Mt. Olivet did not use the EGCs which were actually in effect for these months in its current AA calculation. Correcting this error yields a current AA of (8.20) cents per Mcf. The total AA of (81.11) cents per Mcf reflects the current overcollection as well as under- and over-collections from previous quarters.
- 4. These adjustments produce a gas cost recovery rate of \$2.0269 per Mcf, 17.75 cents per Mcf less than the prior rate,
- 5. The rate adjustments in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved with gas supplied on and after the date of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates proposed by Mt. Olivet be and they hereby are denied.
- 2. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and are effective for gas supplied on and after the date of this Order.
- 3. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Mt. Olivet shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized in this Order,

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of October, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 9918-M4 DATED OCTOBER 27, 1995.

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Mt. Olivet Natural Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

Rates: Monthly

AMERICA I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	.,	Base Rate	Gas Cost Recovery <u>Rate</u>	Total
First 1,000 cu.	ft. or less	\$2.98	\$2.0269	\$5.0069
Next 4,000 cu. 1,000 cu. ft.	ft. per	1.2613	2.0269	3.2882
Next 5,000 cu. 1,000 cu. ft.	ft. per	1.0613	2.0269	3.0882
Next 10,000 cu. 1,000 cu. ft.	ft. per	0.9113	2.0269	2.9382
Over 20,000 cu. 1,000 cu. ft.	ft. per	0.7113	2.0269	2.7382